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SUBSTITUTE SECOND AMENDMENT

AFTER FINAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. 116

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**Mail Stop: NON-FEE AMENDMENT**

**Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks**

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**Dear Sir:**

**This SUBSTITUTE SECOND AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL UNDER 37 C.F.R.**

**116 is intended to replace the SUBSTITUTE SECOND AMENDMENT AFTER**

**FINAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. 116 that was submitted yesterday using the EFS. This**

**substitute amendment adds a typo correction and a new sentence to the**

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**specification to clarify the changes to claim 1 and 24.**

By way of review, an Office Action mailed 10/06/05 required an Election of Species. A response was mailed on 10/25/05 with the required election. An Office Action on the merits was mailed on

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A First Office Action was mailed to the client on 01/12/06

Applicant's First Response to the First Office Action was mailed to the PTO on 04/11/06.

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A Second Office Action on the Merits and a Final Rejection was mailed to the client on 07/06/06

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This Second Amendment is in response to the Second Office Action of 07/06/06. The rejection in the second Office Action indicated that the remaining claims in the case might be allowed with minor changes so the Examiner was contacted by phone on 07/11/06 and on 07/12/06 for the purpose of discussing how the pending independent claims in the subject application could be amended to avoid US 6,233,788 to Choi which was received with the Second Office Action.

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The words added by this Second Amendment to the independent claims, as they now are amended by the First Amendment, are intended to distinguish "applicant's "flap bottom edge" shown in applicants Fig. 1 et al as (31b) from the far end of the flap shown as reference 23 in Fig. 1 of the "788" reference.

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The Examiner has confirmed that in the claims, that claim 2 is canceled and is not "objected to" as shown on the PTOL 326 mailed with the Office Action of 07/06/06

**Please amend the Specification as follows:**

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Please change the word "figure" to ---Figure---  
at the following locations in the specification:

Page 4, line 19

Page 9, line 13 and

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Page 12, line 4

At page 12, line 27, between the phrase "at 31b." and the phrase "The gap between insert the ..." please insert the following sentence:

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"The flap bottom edge 31b is on a portion of Flap 30 that extends toward the insert channel 50 from the pivot axis at the Flap Top Axis 31a."